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CORRESPONDENCE COURSES OF COLLEGE OF HAWAII.

By providing correspondence courses the College of Hawaii will greatly extend its sphere of usefulness. A folder has been issued to bring this branch of work to public attention. In it are specified the classes of persons that correspondence study is designed to benefit, namely:

1. Those who want to learn but who are prevented from attending the College by exigencies of employment or place of living.
2. Those who find new demands made upon them by the progress of the industry in which they are engaged.
3. Those who are engaged in manual employments and who wish some mental activity to occupy their leisure hours.

For the start the college will give correspondence instruction in the following subjects: Soils and crops, plant life, poultry husbandry, domestic science and zoology. In defining the purpose of the courses the brochure uses the following language:

"The College of Hawaii, an institution supported by taxation, should extend its services to the people by all possible ways compatible with the best methods of college administration. While adequate provision should be made and fostered for collegiate work in residence, yet there exists in the community a large class of persons who for one cause or another are unable to adjust themselves to our formal system of education. Such persons manifestly have some claim upon the Territory for assistance in education outside the formal system. By correspondence study such persons may acquire knowledge in accordance with their requirements and capacities. While there are very good reasons for students coming to the college for their instruction, there are also good reasons for the college going to the people; and more especially when the college offers instruction in subjects pertaining to the vocations of life.

"That people may be taught in many of the subjects of the school and college curriculum through correspondence study is a demonstrated fact, and while the method lacks some of the advantages of resident study, it has certain advantages of its own. Among other things, it has a tendency to encourage self-reliance and self-determination. It affords earnest persons the opportunity of working and studying at the same time, and each student gets individual instruction. On the other hand, advanced subjects requiring extensive laboratory equipment are at a disadvantage, as the manipulation of laboratory apparatus may not be taught by correspondence."

Should the South continue solid the time is not distant when nothing but a solid North will prevent the removal of the scepter to the sunny end of the country. For there is an enormous development of industry and commerce in that section, which means a corresponding increase in its intelligent voting strength. A southern investigator lately figured that the gains of the South in agricultural products for 1910 will approximate \$200,000,000. The total value of such will be at least two billion seven hundred millions, according to this authority, and in eleven years the South has more than doubled the value of its farm products. "Great, however, as has been the progress in agriculture," this southerner says, "the value of the manufactured and mineral products of this section now largely exceeds the value of its agricultural output. The South, like the rest of the country, is expanding more rapidly in manufactures than in agriculture, notwithstanding the wonderful advance in the latter." He goes on to mention great building activity in all of the larger cities, also a growing enthusiasm for the construction of good roads, which gives promise of causing as much activity in road building as is now seen in street improvement work. With its prodigious advance in manufacturing and mining, there is little fear that the South will use its political strength to bring about free trade. At the least it will stand for a strong brand of tariff for revenue.

Secretary Dickinson found in existing conditions in the Philippines the occasion for a high tribute to the work of Mr. Taft while governor-general. Commenting on the testimony of the secretary of war, the Washington Star says it will be echoed in every quarter where the labors of Mr. Taft are known. "It was a radical change of base from a courtroom at Cincinnati to the governor-general's palace at Manila, and only a thoroughly competent man of wide sympathy and broad views could have made it and made good. That Mr. Taft did is indisputable," the article says. "He laid foundations upon which we are still building, and shall continue to build while our authority remains." The Washington paper goes on to show that appreciation of his work is not confined to Mr. Taft's own countrymen. "Eminent foreign visitors to the islands, and particularly Englishmen and Germans, have remarked on its value, and the Filipinos themselves hold Mr. Taft in the liveliest remembrance. In time, whether we are still in control, or a Filipino government has succeeded us, a statue of William Howard Taft will be one of the most imposing objects in the city of Manila."

THE FEDERAL BUILDING SITE.

Today a conference of the two commercial bodies of Honolulu takes up the question of the federal building site, from all appearances to renew a controversy that was waged to a settlement two years ago.

At that time the Mahuka site was chosen, by vote of a general meeting, and the advocates of other sites accepted the situation. After that there were occasional manifestations of discontent over the choice, but the preponderance of opinion seemed to be against any reopening of the question. It was generally felt that a war of sites would indefinitely postpone the building.

Such was the situation when, a few months ago, Delegate Kuhio intimated from Washington that the Treasury department officials had formed the opinion that the Mahuka site was too small. They wanted to know if the whole block in which it is situated could not be procured for its enlargement. What the cost would be was asked.

Without consulting the business community the governor quoted a figure for the business property involved, based on the tax returns of the owners. The owners thereupon speedily let it be known that they would resist to the end any such summary appraisal of their properties. Here, then, was a condition of things created which opened a long vista of litigation before the building could be erected.

Advocates of the Irwin or Opera House site eagerly grasped at the opportunity afforded by this confusion of the question to press their cause, and then came Mr. Rudolph Spreckels from San Francisco with sundry pieces of land belonging to the Spreckels estate which he wished to dispose of, any one of which would make a fairly suitable

Uncle Walt The Poet Philosopher

Let us labor in the morning, for 'twill soon be afternoon; let us lounge in the vineyard, for the night is coming soon, when the old and weary dotards sit beside the fire and croon—and time is marching on. Let's improve the golden moments that cavort upon their way; there'll be time for idle dreaming in old age's wintry day; while the morn of life is with us let us put up lots of hay, for time is marching on. I have seen a county poorhouse where the paupers sighed and wept, for the wasted years behind them, when high carnival they kept, when they held their late carousal while the weary toilers slept, and time is marching on. I have seen dead people planted without sign of tears or ruth; they were hustled to the boneyard like a box of junk, in sooth; and they always were the people who had fooled away their youth; and time is marching on. Ah, in youth the golden moments seem a boundless, endless store, and we waste them as the children waste the pebbles on the shore! One by one the moments leave us, and they come to us no more, and time is marching on!

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WALT MASON.

DEMOCRATS DESERTING THEIR SINKING SHIP

"I am opposed to McCandless and I will not do anything to help him out. I am decidedly opposed to Mr. McCandless."—Colonel Charles J. McCarthy, Friday, Sept. 23, 1910.

"I don't like McCandless' methods a little bit, for they savor too much of bossism for good Democrats. What I like even less is the senatorial ticket."—Clarence W. Ashford, Friday, Sept. 23, 1910.

Senator Makekau, a candidate for re-election on the Democratic ticket, of Hawaii, has refused to get out and work for McCandless.

David Ewaliko, the Democratic leader and worker on the island of Hawaii, has thrown up the sponge as far as Link is concerned, and taken a back seat to let Link run his own campaign in the big county.

"I am a Democrat but I am not voting for, and will not vote for McCandless for delegate to congress," declared Captain Campbell, head of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company's ship chandlery.

"I'm through with McCandless, Fern and Rivenburg. I will not vote for them under any consideration. In fact, I shall work for John Lane and Kuhio."—Dr. J. H. Raymond.

The number of former Democrats appears to be growing rapidly.—Advertiser, Oct. 4, 1910.

"Will you vote for Link McCandless?"

"That's a matter between God and me."—Auditor C. K. Maguire of Hilo, Democrat.

"Are you out against McCandless, or are you a McCandless man?"

"You can go to h—, D. E. Metzger, Democratic candidate for Senator on Hawaii."

The foregoing questions and answers are from the Hilo correspondence of October 8, 1910.

site for the federal building. So now Honolulu is back to the starting point of two or three years ago, with just as many rival sites as there were then to decide between.

Taking the whole history of the matter to date, it will be hard to feel assured that any decision now made will be allowed to stand. The Star sees no reason to alter its attitude on the question in any particular. It has at various times taken grounds that may be briefly stated as follows:

1. The business community should abide by its deliberate choice of sites, especially as certain proprietors of adjacent premises have contributed a large sum to the extension of Bishop street, accepting in good faith the selection of the site as final.

2. The Mahuka site is the most convenient, as compared with all rivals, for the post office.

3. The placing of the Federal court quarters in the proposed building, along with the postal, customs and internal revenue services, will before long prove to have been a mistake. In consequence the time is not far distant when a self-contained Federal courthouse will have to be provided, and its most fitting location would be upon the Irwin property, where it would be in line with the judiciary building and like that edifice face the Capitol.

4. It would be better for the custom house to stay where it is and await provision for a new building that should accommodate also the internal revenue, lighthouse, pilotage and shipping offices. This proposition is, however, a side issue, but all the same ought to be urged at Washington.

5. Accepting the building as promised—according to the descriptions published—it is not an edifice of such distinction as to demand the destruction of valuable business property for the sake of giving it an entire block for its display.

6. Let Honolulu press for the immediate construction of the Federal building upon the Mahuka site as originally laid out and acquired. The alternative is liable to be a delay of five to fifteen years in getting any Federal building.

SURPASSES ALL PRECEDENT.
The ten-million dollar, government irrigation project in New Mexico, which will store 650,000,000 gallons of water, and inundate 180 square miles of territory, is described by L. W. Thavis, in the October number of Popular Mechanics. He says:

"Having just completed the Roosevelt dam of the Salt River irrigation project in Arizona, the greatest engineering feat of the age, at a cost of nearly \$9,000,000, Uncle Sam will now turn his attention toward the construction of a similar project in New Mexico. It will be a great reservoir at Engle, connecting two diversion dams one located at Leasburg, and the other 120 miles north of El Paso, Tex."

"The Engle reservoir and its diversion dams are intended to harness the waters of the Rio Grande River and be of far greater magnitude than the Assuan dam of the Nile River, Egypt, now reputed the greatest irrigation project in the world. The Engle reservoir alone will hold twice as much water as the Nile River project, will be 40 miles in length, and reach an average width of nearly four miles, varying from three to six miles. In it will be stored approximately 650,000,000 gallons or 2,000,000 acre-feet of water. The entire flow of the Rio Grande for three years will be required to fill the reservoir. The cost of

the Engle dam will reach far more than \$10,000,000 when completed."

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